

RG 104, 8NS-104-94-077  
Box 6

8NS-104-94-077, Miscellaneous  
Correspondence & Memos, 1897-1994

# Notes on Honduran Currency





Government Honduras

No. Pieces 5,000,000

Date order received <u>May 25, 1972</u>	Was master die furnished <u>No</u>
Mint where coined <u>Denver</u>	Was master die returned <u>--</u>
Denomination <u>5 Centavo</u>	Number melts made <u>226</u>
Date coinage started <u>8-2-72</u>	No. melts delivered to Coiner <u>        </u>
Date coinage completed <u>9-5-72</u>	Ounces per melt <u>        </u>
Cost per M <u>        </u>	No. ingots per melt <u>        </u>
Alloy <u>75 cu. - 25 Ni.</u>	Weight per ingot <u>        </u>
Weight per coin <u>5 grams</u>	Size of ingot <u>        </u>
Weight tolerance <u>        </u>	Assay passing tol. on ingot <u>        </u>
Fineness <u>        </u> Tol. <u>        </u>	Diameter of cut blank <u>.830</u>
Diameter <u>.827</u> Tol. <u>        </u>	Thickness of cut blank <u>.0645</u>
Thickness <u>.079</u> Tol. <u>        </u>	Diameter of upset blank <u>.820</u>
Reeded edge <u>--</u>	Edge thickness upset blank <u>.077</u>
Plain edge <u>Yes</u>	Pieces cut across strip <u>        </u>
Lettered edge <u>--</u>	Pieces cut at one stroke <u>        </u>
Wastage allowed per M <u>        </u>	Annealing temperature <u>1450</u>
Turn - standard or medal <u>Standard</u>	% rejects, automatic scales <u>        </u>
Year (dated) <u>1972</u>	% rejects if reviewed <u>        </u>
Mint mark <u>No</u>	% good coins from ingots <u>        </u>
Was sample coin submitted <u>Yes</u>	No. pieces per bag <u>5,000</u>
Was sample strike approved <u>        </u>	Weight tol., M pieces <u>        </u>
Die average obv. and Rev. <u>125,000</u>	Date shipped <u>9-5-72</u>

Remarks: Used nickel (U.S.) blanking die set and U.S. nickel press setup. Used 1 conventional press. Upset blanks in a U.S. quarter groove. No problems. Used anaconda strip and replaced the strip with weight per coin same as U.S. nickel. Used H.M.E. press for a day or two on Honduras centavos.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Superintendents of Melting, Coining, Cash,  
Assay and Mechanical Divisions

DATE: August 8, 1973

FROM : Cost Accounting Branch

SUBJECT: Job Numbers for Honduras 50 Centavo - 92,000 Pounds of Cu. Ni. Strip

**Melting:**

<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Denomination</u>
7700	7767	Ingot

**Process Weigh:**

8100	8167
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**Rolling:**

7900	7967	Strip
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**Material Handling:**

7800	7967-3	Strip
	7967-1	Preparation of Shipment

**Assay:**

3500	7767	Ingot
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**Mechanical Division:**

6000	7967	Strip, etc.
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

*96 Honduras*

TO : Superintendent's of Melting, Coining, Assay,  
Cash & Deposits and Mechanical Divisions

DATE: June 29, 1972

FROM : Cost Accounting Branch

SUBJECT: Job Numbers for 5 Centavo, Honduras Coins

Melting

<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Denomination</u>
7700	7770	Ingots

Process Weigh

8100	8170	5¢ Centavo
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Rolling (Includes Slab Annealing)

7900	7970	5¢ Centavo
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Material Handling

7800	7870-3	5 Centavo Strip
	7870-4	5 Centavo Scrap
	7870-2	Ingots

Blanking

8200	8270	5 Centavo
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Annealing

8300	8370	5 Centavo
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Upsetting

8500	8570	5 Centavo
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Selecting

8800	8870	5 Centavo
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Stamping

8600	8670	5 Centavo
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Memorandum - (Continued)

June 29, 1972

Job Numbers for 5 Centavo, Honduras Coins

Counting

	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Denomination</u>
	8700	8770	5 Centavo
Stores Items		8770	5 Centavo Bags

Cash and Deposits

Labor	1300	1370	Preparation of Shipment
Stores Items	1300	1370	5 Centavo Boxes
Labor		1371	5 Centavo (Boxing Bags & Banding Boxes)
		1372	Skids, Band, and Seals

Assay

	3500	7770	5 Centavo Ingot
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Mechanical Division

	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Job Request</u>
	6000	6010	6631 - Collars
		8574	(Segments and Discs)
		8674	(Grinding and Dies)
		8274	(Sharpening Die Sets)

7-6-72

Honduras 5 Centavo

75% Nit 25% Cu.

Cut Blanks

Dia = .828

Thickness = .064

app

5 million Pct 1

Account # 8270 Purching  
# 7970 Rolling & Slitting

app - 230 Ingot



$$\begin{array}{r}
 199 \\
 4200 \overline{) 839600} \\
 \underline{4200} \phantom{00} \\
 41910 \phantom{00} \\
 \underline{37800} \phantom{00} \\
 41160 \phantom{00} \\
 \underline{37800} \phantom{00} \\
 3360
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 360 \overline{) 551300} \\
 \underline{360} \phantom{00} \\
 1913
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 25000 \\
 200 \overline{) 5000000} \\
 \underline{4000} \phantom{000} \\
 1000 \phantom{000} \\
 \underline{1000} \phantom{000} \\
 240 \overline{) 551300} \\
 \underline{480} \phantom{00} \\
 713
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 600 \\
 360 \overline{) 600} \\
 \underline{360} \phantom{00} \\
 240
 \end{array}$$

$$360 \overline{) 25000}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 240 \overline{) 551300} \\
 \underline{4535} \phantom{00} \\
 4450 \phantom{00} \\
 \underline{4535} \phantom{00} \\
 1150 \phantom{00} \\
 \underline{9070} \phantom{00} \\
 2430
 \end{array}$$



May 19, 1972

*Beaton*  
RECEIVED

MAY 25 1972

OFFICE OF  
SUPERINTENDENT  
U. S. MINT AT DENVER

Mr. Nicholas G. Theodore  
Superintendent  
United States Mint  
Independence Hall  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106

Dear Mr. Theodore:

We have been requested to manufacture 5 million 5-Centavo coins for the Government of Honduras. This order will be produced at the Denver Mint. The specifications are as follows:

	<u>ALLOY</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>DIAMETER</u>	<u>THICKNESS</u>
Cut Blank	75 Cu - 25 Ni	5 Grams	.340" <i>.840</i>	.062" <i>.062</i>
Upset Blank	75 Cu - 25 Ni	5 Grams	.820" <i>.820</i>	.077"
Coin	75 Cu - 25 Ni	5 Grams	.827" <i>.827</i>	.079"

The coin has a plain edge.

You are requested to proceed with the change of date on the master die. The date should be changed to 1972. In addition, you are authorized to manufacture dies, collars, blanks, and upsetting segment as may be required for trial striking of this coin. You should plan to have sufficient material to make the following distribution of specimens:

	<u>COIN</u>	<u>BLANKS</u>	
		<u>CUT</u>	<u>UPSET</u>
Bureau	2	0	0
Denver	2	2	2
Honduras	2	0	0

Please advise this office when work has progressed to the point where a trial strike can be scheduled.

*✓ Coining*  
*Copy to: Phil M.*  
*Melt.*  
*Accts*  
*C + S*  
*BTM*



By copy of this letter, the Denver Mint is authorized to proceed with the production of the approximately 80,000 pounds of 75 Cu - 25 Ni strip required for this order. You should place your order for working dies as soon as possible. Since the coin has a plain edge, it is expected that you will make your own collars.

Honduran has requested that the coins be packaged 5,000 per bag, two bags per box. The boxes are to be banded with steel strapping and placed on skids. Honduras desires that the bags and boxes be marked "D C DE H." We are attempting to determine if any additional labeling as to value and denomination will be required.

Sincerely,

(Signed) F. H. MacDonald

Mary Brooks  
Director of the Mint

cc: ☒ Superintendent, U.S. Mint, Denver, Colorado

A.J. Goldman

S.F. Carwile

G.G. Ambrose

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MAY 25 1972

OFFICE OF  
SUPERINTENDENT  
U. S. MINT AT DENVER



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Rolling & Cutting Branch      DATE: 10/30/73

FROM : Comings Office

SUBJECT: Honduras strip finish  
           $.054'' \pm .001\frac{1}{2} = 50 \text{ Centavo} -$

W. Summers



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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



# 5-CENTAVO - HONDURAS

Rec @ .215

Nix Alloy

PASS	DIAL	GUAGE	X-RAY
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1	225	.190	
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ANNEAL

2	185	.147	
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3	150	.115	
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4	130	.090	
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5	125	.072	SELECT 115
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6	120	.0635	098 -
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EDGE, 062	STD, 064	WT.	DIA. .840
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# 50 CENTAVO - HONDURAS

10-30-73

Rec @ 220 -

Nix-Alloy

PASS	DIAL	GUAGE	X-RAY
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1	225	.190	
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ANNEAL

2	185	.147	
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3	150	.115	
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4	130	.090	
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5	120	.072	
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6	113	.063	SELECT - 098
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7	107	.054 $\pm .0015$	084
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EDGE, 0525 -	CENTER, 0545	STRIP - ONLY
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